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SUBJECT: COURT SENTENCES HANGUK SEMINARY STUDENTS

REF: A) SEOUL 8223, B) SEOUL 5539

1. ON SEPTEMBER 30 SONGBUK BRANCH DISTRICT COURT FOUND HANGUK SEMINARY STUDENTS GUILTY OF VIOLATING EM-9. CHARGES AGAINST STUDENTS OF VIOLATING ANTI-COMMUNISTS LAW AND NATIONAL SECURITY LAW WERE DROPPED.

2. COURT SENTENCED THREE STUDENTS TO THREE YEARS IN PRISON, ONE STUDENT TO TWO YEARS, AND ONE KIM HA-POM, SON OF KIM KWAN-SUK, KNCC SECGEN, TO A TERM OF TWO TO THREE YEARS DETENTION.

3. ALSO ON SEPTEMBER 30, SONGBUK COURT SENTENCED FOUR OTHER HANGUK SEMINARY STUDENTS TO TWO YEAR TERMS FOR VIO-LATING EM-9. THESE STUDENTS HAD BEEN ARRESTED LAST MARCH AS THEY WERE PREPARING AN OFF-CAMPUS DEMONSTRATION.

4. HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS HAD BEEN CONCERNED THAT COURT WOULD IMPOSE HEAVY SENTENCES ON GROUP OF FIVE SEIMINARY STUDENTS AND DAMAGE THEIR FUTURE CAREERS BY CONFIDENTIAL

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CONVICTING THEM UNDER ANTI-COMMUNIST AND NATIONAL SECURITY LAWS, BUT, AS NOTED, COURT DID NOT CARRY PUNISHMENT TO THAT DEGREE.
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